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## WASHINGTON FACTS AND IMPRESSIONS.

INTERNAL REVENUE RECEIPTS (Yesterday amounted to \$544,395).

Dr. Wm. D. Hirston has been appointed examining surgeon of the Pension Bureau at Winchester, Pa.

Mr. E. W. Hirston has been appointed agent between Louisville, Ky., and Cincinnati, Ohio.

Commissioner Fish, of the Patent Office, returned to the city yesterday after a brief visit to Ohio.

We are happy to state that Mr. Richard F. Harvey, of the firm of Harvey & Co., 335 F Street, is now convalescent, and hopes soon to be about.

The President has appointed David V. Derickson, postmaster at Mendota, Pa., Vincent Clinton Callum, suspended, and James Hunter at St. Joseph, Mo., vice Joseph J. Wynn, suspended.

CURRENT BALANCE IN THE TREASURY.—The current balance in the Treasury has been reduced about \$6,000,000 since the 1st of July by the withdrawal of the necessary amount to purchase \$3,000,000 of bonds and \$3,000,000 for the use of the army.

PRESIDENTIAL APPOINTMENTS.—The following appointments by the President were announced yesterday: William Jones, postmaster at Dallas, Texas; Curtis McGowan, postmaster at Knoxville, Ill.; Rufus A. White, postmaster at Charleston, Mass.

THE PUBLIC DOMAIN.—Commissioner Wilson, of the General Land Office, has just received returns showing a disposal of 111,329 acres of the public domain at the local office at Sioux City, Iowa, during the past month.

The greater portion of the land was sold for cash, the sales amounting to \$136,658.

THE ORDER ISSUED for the repair of all the incandescent lights in the city has been somewhat misinterpreted. They are not to be put in sea-going order, but the repairs are to be made simply as a means of preserving the vessels, which would otherwise sustain injury if permitted to remain in their present condition.

THE ALABAMA QUESTION NOT FORGOTTEN.—The latest advice from Minister Motley shows that though he has had several interviews with the British Minister, and Secretary of Foreign Affairs, not one word has yet been said regarding the reopening of the Alabama claims controversy.

WE ARE HAPPY TO STATE that the report current through the city for several days, of the death of Richard F. Harvey, of the firm of Harvey & Co., undertakers, No. 335 F Street, is incorrect. Mr. Harvey is convalescent, and we trust will be able to personally contradict the statement in a few days.

THE TEXAS ELECTION.—The Texas wing of the party in this city has been very active in their efforts for their election, and they are hoped Mr. Hamilton writes to his friends here that he is prepared to enter actively upon the canvass at the earliest moment, and he seems already confident of a favorable result for himself and his party.

CONTRACT AWARDED.—Acting Commissioner Douglas, of the Internal Revenue Department, yesterday awarded the contract for furnishing stationery to the department for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1879, to Messrs. Blanchard & Mohr, of this city.

The contract, one of the largest ever given out, is for supplying all of the internal revenue offices east of the Rocky Mountains.

APPLICANTS FOR PORTFOLIOS.—Col. Wm. A. Cook, J. A. Venable, C. H. Haden, Capt. W. H. Baker, and Thomas R. Jackson, representing the Boys in Blue of the District, had an interview with President Grant yesterday morning, for the purpose of having a number of their members appointed to positions in the Executive Departments of the Government.

The President promised to give the matter due consideration.

COMMISSIONER BARNARD, of the educational bureau, will issue his elaborate report on educational matters in this District in a few days. It is delayed by the forwarding of printing office, the copy having been furnished weeks ago. It will make a volume of over six hundred pages, and is unquestionably one of the most complete and valuable documents ever prepared under Government supervision.

GENERAL COURT-MARTIAL.—To-morrow a marine general court-martial will convene at the Marine Barracks, this city, for the trial of such cases as may be brought before it. The following named to have been tried in the following manner: Colonel Charles Howard, Lieutenant Colonel C. L. Nokes, W. B. Mue, C. P. Porter, and A. C. Keilin, members, and Lieutenant M. C. Goodrich, judge advocate.

CALIFORNIA AND OREGON BOUNDARY SURVEY.—Daniel G. Major, United States astronomer and surveyor on the California and Oregon boundary survey, writes from "Camp near Applegate creek," under date of "June 24," that the survey is progressing well.

He is engaged in making a series of observations to establish the fifth astronomical station on that boundary, and that he expects to complete the field labor of the survey by the end of July.

THE LIBRARIAN MISS.—Charles H. Langston, brother of John M. Langston, is an applicant for the Librarian position, and his appointment is warmly urged by the Librarian administration men in Kansas.

The President, it is understood, has determined not to make any change in the mission for the present, but has assured John M., who has advocated his brother's appointment, that, in the event of a change, he would appoint Mr. Charles Langston.

THE COMING RECEIPT.—Directions have been issued by Commodore Sande, superintendent of the United States Naval Observatory, to the astronomical observers appointed to report upon the total eclipse of the sun on the 28th of August. The belt of country in the United States over which the eclipse will be total is about one hundred and forty miles wide, and from the coast of North Carolina stretches in a northwesterly direction through North Carolina, Tennessee, Virginia, Kentucky, Indiana, Illinois and Iowa.

APPOINTMENTS IN THE INTERIOR DEPARTMENT.—J. M. Wilson, of Pa.; Randolph Kadenbach, of Ind.; W. B. Nichols, Mass.; O. P. Washburne, Ark., and Leffor Woods, Ind., were yesterday appointed to first-class clerkships in the General Land Office. John D. Pettit and T. H. Carpenter were also appointed temporary clerks in the same office.

Wm. H. Fuller, D. C.; George L. Cook, Ohio; Richard C. Jones, D. C.; Joseph Loughlin, New Mexico; A. B. Cate, New Hampshire, and T. H. Wiley, N. Y., were appointed first-class clerks in the Indian Office.

## THE LOUISIANA ELECTION INVESTIGATING COMMITTEE.

The sub-committee on Elections, of which Mr. Stevenson is chairman, has investigated the Louisiana election case, and will here next week, when their report will be made up and put in the hands of the printer. A number of witnesses have been examined, and a large amount of testimony has been taken. The report will cover about seven hundred pages.

As was stated in our local columns yesterday, the Congressional Printer, Hon. A. C. Clapp, has with commendable enterprise caused the work at the Government printing office to be pushed forward so as to have at this present time, all the work of his office so well up as to necessitate a number of furloughs, unless additional orders are received.

A statement has been published that there have been complaints in some of the departments in regard to the manner in which the work is done. We are reliably informed that not a word of complaint has reached the Congressional Printer from any of the departments.

GALLANT CONDUCT OF THE PRESIDENT'S SON.—On Wednesday afternoon, while the sons of Dr. Sharpe, (marshal of the District), were bathing in the Potomac river, near Laurel, Maryland, in company with their young cousins, Masters Grant and Dent, who were visiting the doctor's family, Dent Sharpe, a lad of eleven years of age, was taken with the cramp, and while struggling for assistance. His father heard the cry, and stopped to pull off his boots to go to the rescue, but in the meantime Fred. Grant, who has just arrived from school, plunged into the water and caught the drowning lad, and brought him going down the third time, and brought him to the shore, where he soon recovered.

LOUISIANA AND GEORGIA.—Among the ardent advocates of the Senator Harris, of Louisiana, and John R. Taylor, president of the Georgia national bank, at Atlanta, Ga. Senator Harris reports political matters in his State very quiet, with a much better state of feeling than existed this time a year ago. Outrages and crimes are greatly reduced in number. The crop prospect is very good, and though the season is backward the cotton stand is very fair. Mr. Harris says the military administration of General Terry is rapidly improving the state of affairs in Georgia. Senator Harris, like most of his colleagues, contemplates a trip to the Pacific coast during the summer.

ADMIRAL HOFF AND THE CUBAN SQUADRON.—Admiral Hoff is not to be removed from the command of the United States squadron serving in Cuban waters, and all the rumors to the contrary are without foundation. Hoff is not to be removed from the command of the United States squadron serving in Cuban waters, and all the rumors to the contrary are without foundation.

LAND SURVEYS IN NEVADA.—Commissioner Wilson, of the General Land Office, has just dispatched his annual instructions to the Surveyor General at Virginia City, Nevada. The amount provided by law for public surveys in this district during the year ending the 30th of June, 1879, is \$40,000.

The Commissioner directs the surveyor general to select as the sphere of his operations those localities where the public interests may be best served, including actual settlement, or where immigration is going on, and to facilitate the survey of mineral claims under the mining law, not omitting the local requirements as to the Central Pacific railroad. As this road has been completed in its entire length through the State, a reasonable share of the surveyed appropriation is to be expended in extending the public line along the route of the Central Pacific.

It is desired to facilitate the survey of lands by Congress to aid in its construction of lands as far possible in view of other important interests which may be found to exist in the State.

These instructions are voluminous, and enter into the details of the surveying service in this district.

THE MISSISSIPPI ELECTION.—Judge Dent, who has reported, has informed the delegation of Mississippians in the House here, that he would accept the Conservative Republican nomination for Governor of that State, and he also telegraphed his acceptance to prominent Republicans in the State. It is probable that the Cabinet will discuss the Mississippi case to-day, and appoint an agent to negotiate with the Mississippians, so that their constitution may be admitted in the same manner as the Virginia constitution was submitted to the people of that State, with separate votes upon the test oath and disfranchisement clauses. The latter clause of the Mississippi constitution is deemed far more objectionable than that of the Virginia constitution, and it is expected that the latter will be rejected by a greater number of citizens of the State. There is reason to believe that Mississippi will be favored in this matter as Virginia was.

The Mississippians would also like to see General Ames removed from the State, as they say he affiliates with the other side, and would throw impediments in the way of the Conservative Republicans. They do not, however, absolutely demand his removal, but will be satisfied if the Administration will issue such orders as will prevent his interference in the elections one way or the other. All they desire is a fair contest, and they seem confident that if they are given as liberal terms as were accorded the Virginians, they will carry the State by a majority equally decisive and overwhelming.

ANOTHER STEP IN ADVANCE is contemplated by the Russian Government. This is no less than the establishment of a republic in the interior of the empire. The minister of the interior is now occupied with a project of law for the institution of elective municipal councils in the cities of the Russian empire. Poland being excepted. A more important change could hardly be made. Hitherto local government has been carried on exclusively by functionaries nominated from St. Petersburg.

A COMMITTEE OF PROMINENT friends of education in Ohio, preparing for the purpose, is now engaged in preparing a uniform course of study for the schools and colleges of the State. They have completed a course of study for the primary, intermediate and high schools, and also one for colleges. The plan was to be made at Cleveland on the 6th of July.

The people of San Francisco have decided not to participate in the celebration of the 4th of July.

## NAVAL INTELLIGENCE FROM THE PACIFIC.

Information has been received from San Francisco of the arrival of the United States steamship Daotach with the stores, &c., for Admiral Turner, who commands the Pacific station. The Fenobee, which was the flagship of Admiral Craven, has started on a voyage to the coast of California, claiming \$25,000 of Lucius B. Boomer, of Chicago, for negotiating the contract for building the bridge across the river at St. Louis for the Illinois and St. Louis Bridge Company.

It has been definitely ascertained that no person by the name of Hildon was a member of the Povel expedition, and it is generally believed that the party is safe.

Messrs. Wells, Fargo & Co., have withdrawn their coaches between Sheridan and Denver, the Post Office Department having refused to renew the mail contract.

The Chicago commercial excursion party, including Senator Trumbull and ex-Governor Oglesby, have started for Salt Lake and the Pacific coast.

The friends of Gilbert C. Walker, Governor-elect of Virginia, at Birmingham, N. Y., of which Mr. Walker was formerly a citizen, fired a salute of twenty-four guns yesterday.

Hon. John Ross, Finance Minister of Canada, has left for Washington, having an appointment with Secretary Fish.

A violent assault with a razor was committed by a negro upon a son of the proprietor of one of the principal hotels at White Plains yesterday, cutting off an ear and cutting the scalp, and it is feared may prove fatal. The negro escaped.

The monument erected to the memory of Fitz Green Hallack, at Guilford, Conn., was dedicated yesterday. About three thousand persons were in attendance. Masonic delegations were present.

Senator James has been appointed minister from Spain to Great Britain.

Gen. Groverius was discharged at New York yesterday, after the examination of several witnesses, and great cheering by the crowd of Cubans present. The spy, Groverius, was not to be found anywhere, and the Government said they had got through with him.

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